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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:	)	
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TAKEHIKO KAWASAKI ET AL.	)	
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APPARATUS, SHEET MATERIAL	:	
TREATING APPARATUS AND SHEET	)	
MATERIAL IDENTIFYING METHOD	:	

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SUBMISSION OF CORRECTED REQUEST  
FOR PARTICIPATION IN PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY

Sir:

The above referenced application was filed under 35 U.S.C. 371 to enter the national phase of International Application No. PCT/JP2004/008495. International Application No. PCT/JP2004/008495 was filed on June 10, 2004 and claimed priority based on Japanese Application Nos. 2003-168343 and 2004-169853. Japanese Application No. 2004-169853 was allowed on its first action and issued as Japanese Patent 4110117.

On April 22, 2010, Applicants submitted a Request for Participation in the Patent Prosecution Highway Pilot Program Between the Japan Patent Office and the USPTO based on

the first action Notice of Allowance in Japanese Patent Application No. 2004-169853. In making that submission, Applicants used the new form for submission of a Request for Participation in the PCT-PPH Pilot Program. However, Applicants now believe that use of the PCT form was incorrect since Japanese Priority Application 2004-169853, which issued as Japanese Patent No. 4110117, was a priority application and not part of the PCT application.

Accordingly, Applicants submit herewith a new Request For Participation In The Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) Program Between The Japan Patent Office (JPO) And The USPTO. This Request is based on the first action allowance of Japanese Priority Application No. 2004-169853, which issued as Japanese Patent No. 4110117, and should be substituted for the Request filed on April 22, 2010. A copy of Japanese Patent No. 4110117 with allowed claims 1-10, an English translation of claims 1-10 and a verification of the accuracy of that translation, as well as an information disclosure statement, were submitted on April 22, 2010, and are therefore not being resubmitted herewith.

Applicants respectfully request that this Request for Participation in the PPH Program be accepted, that due consideration to the issuance of the Japanese patent be noted and that early

passage to issue of the above application be granted.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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